

REMARKS

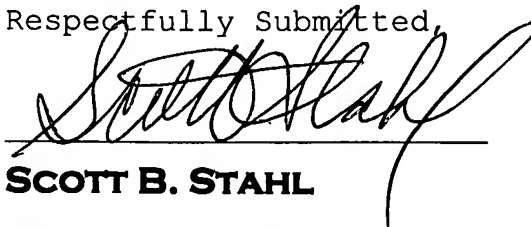
Claims 1-4 and 6-10 are pending. Claims 1, 6 and 9 are amended. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The indefiniteness rejection is overcome inasmuch as the questioned language has been removed from the claims.

All pending claims recite a trace stream of packets that carries information fields that have been captured from a processor while in use for processing operations performed by the processor. The trace stream accommodates information fields of differing lengths. Each packet provides capacity to carry a respective information field having a shortest of the differing lengths, and a packet subgroup provides packets to carry respective portions of an information field that is longer than the shortest length. This exemplary feature has not been found to be taught or suggested in the references of record.

Further and favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Scott B. Stahl", is written over a horizontal line.

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